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TAGS: ASEC, UR
SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF THREATENING LETTER AT SOVIET MISSION

1. MISOFFS LUNCHEd WITH FIRST SECRETARY YURY SHCHERBAKOV
JULY 18, 1978, AT HIS INVITATION. AFTER A FEW LOW-KEY
COMPLAINTS ABOUT SEVERAL RECENT DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIGILS,
AT VARIOUS SOVIET ESTABLISHMENTS IN NEW YORK, SHCHERBAKOV
EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER ANONYMOUS THREATENING LETTER
RECEIVED AT SMUN.

2. SHCHERBAKOV PRODUCED COPY OF TYPEWRITTEN LETTER
ADDRESSED TO "THE U.N. SOVIET MISSION" WHICH WAS POST-
MARKED ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY, JULY 12, 1978. LETTER IS
CAPTIONED TO "ALL REPRESENTATIVES, DELEGATES, AND DIPLOMATS
OF THE SOVIET UNION" FROM AN "AMERICAN JEW WHO FEELS THE
PAIN OF ANATOLY SHCHARANSKY." ANONYMOUS LETTER GOES ON TO
SAY THAT WRITER WILL KILL OR KIDNAP TWO SOVIET REPRESENTA-
TIVES IF SHCHARANSKY IS KILLED OR IMPRISONED. WRITER
STRESSES THE TWO FOR ONE RATIO. CLAIMS HE IS NOT INVOLVED
WITH ANY GROUP BUT ACTING OF HIS OWN ACCORD. LETTER
MENTIONS ANATOLY DOBRYNIN AS A POSSIBLE VICTIM. ATTACHED
TO LETTER IS SHEET OF PAPER SCRAWLED WITH SAYINGS: "NEVER
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AGAIN," "LET MY PEOPLE GO" AND A DRAWING OF STAR OF DAVID.

3. COPY OF LETTER POUCHED LOU HAGE, IO/UNP.

4. SHCHERBAKOV REQUESTED FBI AND POLICE BE ALERTED TO
THREAT AND OFFERED TO MAKE ORIGINAL LETTER AVAILABLE TO FBI.
HE SAID HIS MISSION HOPED US AUTHORITIES MAKE PROMPT EFFORT

TO INVESTIGATE AND IDENTIFY WRITER.

5. USUN NOTIFIED NY/FBI AND NEW YORK POLICE WHO HAVE VISITED SHCHERBAKOV AND OBTAINED FROM HIM ORIGINAL LETTER. FBI IS IN TOUCH WITH US ATTY'S OFFICE AND EXPECTS APPROVAL TO CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION.

6. NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND FBI WILL COORDINATE THEIR INVESTIGATIONS. GLEN COVE AND NASSAU COUNTY POLICE ALSO ALERTED. MCHENRY

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